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Iraq: Extending the Range of FROG-7 Battlefield Rockets [REDACTED]

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Iraq has nearly doubled the range of its FROG-7 battlefield rockets, according to the declaration it provided in December [REDACTED] The refurbished rocket can deliver its 420-kg payload to a range of about 130 km, according to the declaration. Iraq could lighten the FROG-7 payload to reach more distant targets.

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-- Iraq last July tested a modified FROG-7, according to the declaration, and [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] this rocket flew roughly 125 km.

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-- Iraq is upgrading its aging FROG-7 inventory by replacing the double-base propellant with more energetic composite solid propellant, according to the declaration. [REDACTED]

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The status of this program is unclear, and inventory quantities were not included in the declaration. With Iraq's successful flight tests and more than 40 available FROG-7 launchers, Baghdad probably has a capability to field this system. [REDACTED]

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